

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2015 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Health Policy

CS/CS/CS/SB 296 —Diabetes Advisory Council

by Fiscal Policy Committee; Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee; Health Policy Committee; and Senators Garcia and Joyner

The bill (Chapter 2015-45, L.O.F.) creates a process for ongoing assessment of the state's diabetes-related activities. Specifically, the bill directs the Diabetes Advisory Council, in conjunction with the Department of Health, the Agency for Health Care Administration, and the Department of Management Services, to prepare a report regarding the impact of diabetes on state-funded or operated programs, including Medicaid, the State Group Insurance Program, and public health programs. Required components of the report include: the health consequences and financial impact of diabetes; the effectiveness of diabetes programs implemented by each agency; a description of the coordination among the agencies; and the development and ongoing revision of an action plan for reducing and controlling the incidence of diabetes.

The report is due to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by January 10 of each odd-numbered year.

The bill also modifies the composition of the Diabetes Advisory Council, and adds a representative of the American Association of Diabetes to the list of possible members.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2015.

Vote: Senate 36-0; House 114-0